387. Mr. K. R. Achyuthan *(Ezhuvas-Trichur):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the total number of permanent posts that remain to be filled up by the Staff Selection Board till the end of Dhanu 1120;

(*b*) the number among them reserved for persons who return after military service;

(*c*) the reason why permanent posts other than those mentioned in sub-division (*b*) above, are not filled up?

Rama Varmha Tampuran, M.B.E. *(Secretary to Government:):*

(*a*) 200.

(*b*) 112.

(*c*) After final orders regarding reservation of vacancies were passed, details had to be gathered from Heads of Departments. They are just completed. Vacancies will be filled up soon.

APPOINTMENTS MADE DURING THE YEARS 1117, 1118 & 1119

388. Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Mulakunnathukavu):* Will Government be pleased to state with reference to the 48 appointments made by them in the years 1117, 1118 and 1119 to posts carrying pay above Rs. 100 per mensem.—

(*a*) whether of the total number of 48 appointments made 35 were of persons technically qualified;

(*b*) the offices or class of offices to which these 35 hands were appointed;

(*c*) the places, if any, held by those persons under the Government previous to the appointment;

(*d*) whether there were any applicants with the necessary qualifications or in places as in (*c*) for any of those 35 posts from among the Ezhuva community in this State;

(*e*) for the remaining 13 places how many applicants with the requisite literary qualifications were there from the Ezhuva community;

(*f*) How many Ezhuvas were given places and as what? (*i. e.*, the name of offices).

Rama Varmha Tampuran, M.B.E. *(Secretary to Government):*

(*a*) 29 were of persons technically qualified.

(*b*) and (*c*) A statement containing the information collected is placed on the Council table. (Numbers 8 to 16, 20, 24, 25 and 30 to 46 are the 29 technically qualified persons referred to above).

(*d*) According to the information so far collected, there was no Ezhuva applicant.

(*e*) There were five applicants from the Ezhuva community for some of the remaining posts.

(*f*) The information is contained in the statement given as answer to (*b*) and (*c*) above.

INCOME-TAX, ETC.—ASSESSMENT OF

389. Mr. K. T. Achuthan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether the rates of assessment for Income-tax, Super-tax and Excess Profit tax are the same in Cochin State as in British India;

(*b*) if the answer to (*a*) is in the negative why it is not so and what are the reasons for not adopting the same rates here and there?

Rama Varmha Tampuran, M.B.E. *(Secretary to Government):*

(*a*) The rates are different in Cochin and British India.

(*b*) In all the Indian States the rates are lower than in British India and there is no special necessity in Cochin to levy tax at the high rates obtaining in British Inda.

Mr. K.T. Achyuthan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* May I know whether there is any objection to levy the same rate.

Rama Varmha Tampuran, M. B. E. *(Secretary to Government):* Of course there is. We cannot raise the tax unnecessarily high.

Mr. Shabdai S. Koder *(Nominated):* What are the rates in Travancore? Are they not higher?

Rama Varmha Tampuran, M.B.E. *(Secretay to Government):* Travancore rates are not higher.

Mr. Shabdai S. Koder *(Nominated):* Is it lower?

Rama Varmha Tampuran, M.B.E. *(Secretary to Government):* It is.

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